

PERSISTENT PURSUIT OF PERMANENT STATUS FOR LEGACY WORKERS, INVESTORS

2011

Kilili introduces H.R. 1466 with permanent status. House Natural Resources Committee holds hearing on the bill. Republicans and Democrats support and bill is placed on House calendar for vote. Fitial administration enlists Tea Party to block.

At Kilili's request USCIS grants parole to those covered in H.R. 1466.

2012

At Kilili's request USCIS extends H.R. 1466 parole.

2013

Kilili meets with Senate "Gang-of-Eight" and adds permanent status to bipartisan comprehensive immigration reform bill, S. 744, that passes 68-32. House Republicans fail to act.

2016

Kilili introduces H.R. 5888, reflecting Governor Torres' Section 902 proposals, including permanent status. Republican leadership will not support.

2018

Kilili's NMI Workforce Stabilization Act, H.R. 6578, uses new legal definition of long-term worker that he put into NMI U.S. Workforce Act as basis for who qualifies for permanent status. Future Democratic Chairs of Natural Resources Committee and Immigration Subcommittee co-sponsor.